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**AMENDMENT**

Kindly amend the application as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS**

*note claim 37 cancelled by "a"*  
In line 1 of claim 37, cancel "53" and insert -- 54 --  
In line 1 of claim 41, cancel "35" and insert -- 54 --

**REMARKS**

In response to the office action dated September 11, 2001, applicant hereby elects the invention set forth in group 1 drawn to a lined multi-branch fitting. Claims 2-26, 29-36, and 50-53 are included in the claims of group 1.

Applicant has amended the application to improve the form thereof.

Further and favorable action is earnestly solicited.

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